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SUBJECT: RECOGNITION OF PRG

1. JULY 18 ASSISTANT TO THE MINISTER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS KY TOLD US THAT GVN SUSPECTED THAT PRC WAS BEING RECENT RECOGNITIONS OF PRG BY DAHOMEY AND SENEGAL. IN BOTH CASES GVN HAD HAD EXCELLENT RELATION WITH HOST COUNTRY AND IN BOTH CASES RECBXNITION OF PRG HAD COINCIDED WITH HOST COUNTRY'S DECISION TO CLOSE DOWN REPUBLIC OF CHINA AIS PROGRAMS.
2. IN CASE OF DAHOMEY KY PROFESSED TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE THAT ACTION AGAINST ROC AID PROGRMS AND RECOGNITION OF PRG COINCIDED WITH \$45 MILLION INTEREST-FREE LOAN BY PRC TO DAHOMEY. KY SAID HE HAD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SENGHOR HAD ALSO BEEN CONTACTED BY PRC PRIOR TO RECOGNITION OF PRG AND DECISION TO FORCE ROC TECHNICIANS OUT OF SENEGAL. HE FELT PRC MUST HAVE OFFERED ATTRACTIVE QUID PRO QUO BUT HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF PRECISE NATURE.
3. DANG NGOC TRAN, NEWLY DESIGNATED AMBASSADOR TO SENEGAL IS

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NOW IN SAIGON AND WILL NOT PROCEED TO DAKAR. KY INDICATED THAT

TRAN WILL HEAD ONE OF DELEGATIONS GVN IS SENDING TO MEMBERS OF
NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AT ALGIERS. FOLLOWING THIS TRAN IS
EXPECTED TO TAKE UP RESIDENCE IN GAMBIA AND ALSO REPRESENT
GVN IN LIBERIA.
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